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PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : James Web Kassebaum, et al.)
For : TOPICAL ORGANIC)
ECTOPARASITICIDAL FORMULATIONS)
Docket No. : X-11121)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231
Sir:

In the Claims

Please add the following new Claims 12, 13, 14 and 15.

12. (new) A topical ectoparasiticide formulation comprising from 0.1 to 25 weight percent of a spinosyn, or a physiologically acceptable derivative or salt thereof; from 25 to 99 weight percent of isopropyl myristate and from 0.6 to 40 weight percent of a miscibilizing agent compatible with organic solvent systems, selected from acetic, lauric, octanoic, oleic and benzoic acids and N-methyl-2-pyrrolidinone.

13. (new) A formulation of Claim 1 wherein the miscibilizing agent is oleic acid.

14. (new) An article of manufacture, comprising packaging material and contained within said packaging material a topical formulation for controlling an ectoparasite infestation on a small ruminant or companion animal, wherein said formulation comprises

a topical unit dose of a formulation of Claim 1 or 2; and, wherein said packaging material comprises a label or package insert with instructions for topically administering

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